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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD FOR PRODUCING COMPOUND SINGLE CRYSTAL AND PRODUCTION APPARATUS FOR USE THEREIN

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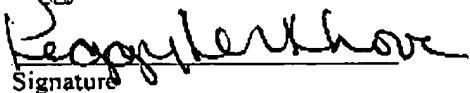
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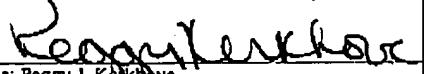
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Dear Sir:

Applicants would like to clarify the record regarding the Detailed Action included in the Notice of Allowance mailed August 15, 2008. Applicants believe that the last line of point number 3 in the Response to Arguments should read "Japanese Patent Office".

Applicants respectfully note that the Form 1449 dated April 30, 2008; which was returned to the undersigned with the Notice of Allowance mailed August 15, 2008, is missing the Examiner's initials for the literature reference. There has been no indication why the reference is not considered. Applicants respectfully request that the art cited on April 30, 2008 be fully considered and that an initialed Form 1449 be returned to the undersigned. Please note that the literature reference cited on April 15, 2008 has a title similar to one of the literature references cited on August 17, 2006. However, the two references are different.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicants' primary attorney-of record, Douglas P. Mueller (Reg. No. 30,300), at (612)455.3804.

Respectfully submitted,

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